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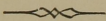
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CONSTITUTION.



ARTICLE I.

This Association shall be called "THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF BROOKLYN," and shall be composed of active and honorary members.

ARTICLE II.

The objects of the Association shall be—

First. The promotion of social intercourse, with a view of encouraging a spirit of inquiry, emulation and co-operation, in the Science of Medicine.

Second. The cultivation of the theory and practice of Medicine and Surgery.

Third. The advancement of the honor of the Medical Profession.

ARTICLE III.

Each candidate for active membership must be a graduate or licentiate in medicine, residing in this City or County.

ARTICLE IV.

There shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Librarian, all of whom shall be elected for the term of one year.

ARTICLE V.

The following Standing Committees shall be elected for the term of one year :

1. A Committee on Admissions.
2. A Committee on Medical Ethics.
3. A Scientific Committee.
4. A Publishing Committee.

ARTICLE VI.

All questions of medical ethics shall, as far as applicable, be adjudged in accordance with the Code of Ethics promulgated by the American Medical Association.

ARTICLE VII.

All questions of order not provided for shall be determined by Parliamentary usage.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, at a stated meeting, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, providing such alteration or amendment shall have been proposed in writing at the meeting one month previous.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. The stated meetings of the Association shall be held on the third Thursday of every month, at eight o'clock P. M., except July and August, when there shall be a recess.

§ 2. Special meetings of the Association may be called by the President at the request of five members.

§ 3. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for business.

§ 4. There shall be an annual meeting on the third Thursday in January, of which the same notice shall be given as of a stated meeting.

§ 5. At each annual meeting, the Election of Officers; the Orator for the ensuing Anniversary; and Delegates to the American Medical Association shall be held by ballot immediately after the election of new members; and all annual reports shall then be made to the Association.

§ 6. The Anniversary of the Association shall be held on the second Thursday of November of each year, at which time a report will be read by the Secretary, and an Oration will be delivered by the Orator, elected at the annual meeting.

§ 7. All Officers shall be elected by a plurality vote.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each candidate for membership shall be proposed at a stated meeting, and be balloted for when the Committee on Admissions shall have given in their report.

§ 2. A candidate, once rejected, may be again proposed and balloted for after an interval of three months, but if rejected a second time, the decision is final.

§ 3. Admission for membership must be by a unanimous vote, except when only one ballot is cast in the negative, in which case the member who cast the negative ballot, will be requested by the President to give his reasons for so doing; if he respond, the candidate shall again be ballotted for, and if then three-fourths of the votes are cast in his favor, he shall be declared a member.

§ 4. Every charge of violation of Medical Ethics against a member must be addressed to the Secretary, under a sealed cover, with the words "charge against a member" written upon it. The Secretary having announced its reception to the Association, shall hand the same over to the Chairman of the Committee on Medical Ethics. This Committee shall proceed to take testimony and hear the defence, and report at the next stated meeting. If the person accused be found guilty by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, the penalty, whether reprimand, suspension or expulsion, must be determined by the same vote.

§ 5. Each member, on admission, shall pay an initiation fee of two dollars, and shall affix his signature to the Constitution and By-Laws within two months after his election.

Assess dues for members
§ 6. Any member neglecting to pay his dues for one year, shall forfeit his membership, provided he shall have received one month's notice thereof from the Secretary.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings, regulate debates, and announce the result

of all votes ; require of any member, who speaks before the Association, to rise in his place and address his remarks to him ; appoint all committees, unless otherwise provided for, and preserve in strict exercise the rules established by parliamentary usage.

§ 2. The Vice-President, in the absence of the President, shall preside and perform the duties of the President.

§ 3. The Secretary shall keep minutes of the proceedings of all meetings ; notify all officers and members of their election, and the duties required of them ; transmit to the Chairman of the Committee on Admissions all proposals for membership ; receive the signatures and fees of members, and pay the moneys received over to the Treasurer ; and issue notices of all meetings of the Association.

§ 4. The Treasurer shall keep a correct account of all moneys received and expended ; he shall pay such bills as the Association may direct, and none others ; he shall give a statement of the funds whenever required, and deliver up, when called upon, all moneys, bonds, papers, books, etc., belonging to the Association, to his successor in office, or to any other person appointed to receive them ; he shall

render an account at the meeting in January of all the moneys received and expended, and all balances remaining in his hands.

§ 5. The Librarian shall take charge of all books, pamphlets, manuscripts, apparatus and instruments, all anatomical and pathological specimens, and all scientific property of whatever kind belonging to the Association, and render a detailed account of the same when required.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. Any member may propose a candidate as an Honorary member, but not more than three Honorary members shall be annually elected.

§ 2. The Honorary members may attend the meetings of the Association, but shall not be entitled to vote.

ARTICLE V.

The following shall be the Order of Business at the stated meetings :

1. Reading of Minutes.
2. Proposal of Members.
3. Report of Committee on Admission, and Balloting for Candidates.

4. Report of Scientific Committee.
5. Reports of other Committees.
6. Reading of Papers.
7. Communications and Discussions.
8. Unfinished Business.
9. Prevailing Diseases—"What are they?"
10. New Business.

ARTICLE VI.

These By-Laws may be suspended by a three-fourths vote at a stated meeting. They may be repealed or amended by a similar vote, provided, a notice of the same be given in writing at a previous stated meeting.

